NITHE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE Atty Dkt. 2551-130 In re Patent Application C# TC/A.U. 1648 MAERTENS et al. Examiner: Lucas Serial No. 10/685,43 Date: October 12, 2004 Filed: October 16, 2003 MULTI-MER PEPTIDES DERIVED FROM HEPATITIS C VIRUS ENVELOPE Title: PROTEINS FOR DIAGNOSTIC USE AND VACCINATION PURPOSES Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir: RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon. ☐ Correspondence Address Indication Form Attached. Fees are attached as calculated below: minus highest number Total effective claims after amendment \$ 1170.00 \$ 18.00 previously paid for 25 (at least 20) = 65 Х Independent claims after amendment minus highest number \$ 0.00 \$ 88.00 previously paid for 3 (at least 3) =0 Х 0.00 If proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, add \$300.00 (ignore improper) \$ Petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this \$ 0.00 paper and attachment(s) (\$110.00/1 month; \$430.00/2 months; \$980.00/3 months) Terminal disclaimer enclosed, add \$ 110.00 \$ 0.00 0.00 \$ First/second submission after Final Rejection pursuant to 37 CFR 1.129(a) (\$790.00) , filed Please enter the previously unentered ☐ Submission attached Subtotal 1170.00 -\$ 0.00 If "small entity," then enter half (1/2) of subtotal and subtract ☐ Applicant claims "small entity" status. ☐ Statement filed herewith \$ 0.00 Rule 56 Information Disclosure Statement Filing Fee (\$180.00) 0.00 \$ Assignment Recording Fee (\$40.00) 0.00 Other:

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## <u>AMENDMENT</u>

Responsive to the Official Action dated September 9, 2004, entry and consideration of the following amendments and remarks are requested.

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